

# Materials Science Research Rack (MSRR)

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#### Objective:

- To provide a facility onboard the ISS to conduct materials science research/technology experiments by:
  - Providing a modular facility to accommodate up to two Experiment Modules (EM)
  - Providing for the facility integration of the ESA MSL EM
  - Successfully supporting the planned investigations through the mission
  - Providing resources for experiment modules: power, data, vacuum (resource and exhaust), cooling, microgravity isolation, video.

#### Relevance/Impact:

- ♦ The MSRR can be utilized for multi-Program tasks
- The MSRR will accommodate the operation of the European Space Agency Materials Science Laboratory (MSL)

## **Development Approach:**

- The MSRR-1 Experiment Carrier (EC) consists of the Rack Support Subsystems (RSS), an Active Rack Isolation System (ARIS) and the International Standard Payload Rack (ISPR) with its Standard Payload Outfitting Equipment (SPOE).
- The MSRR-1 is a multi-purpose International Space Station (ISS) facility capable of accommodating a wide variety of research experiments to conduct material science and technology investigations in micro-gravity
- The MSRR-1 Facility is being designed and developed by the Marshall Space Flight Center, this effort is managed out of the Science and Mission Systems Office (VP)



# **Experiment Accommodations**

Experiment Volume (Alpha side) (7.3 ft <sup>3</sup> )	31.75" length x 15.7" depth x 25.37" width					
Launch Mass Available (Alpha side)	Max – 107 kg (cg constraints must be analyzed)					
Power Available To Experiments (1000 watts total)	5 kW maximum based on two payload operations 2 - 10 amp @ 120 Vdc 8 - 10 amp @ 28 Vdc					
Cooling Available	MTL Coolant available Maximum pressure drop = 5.5 psi					
Video	NTSC signal per EIA/TIA RS-250-C					
Vacuum	VES and VRS access					
Data Handling	MRDL Ethernet link to LAN-2 MIL-STD-1553B Remote Terminal interface to Master Controller (Bus Controller)					

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## **Project Life Cycle Schedule**

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Milestones	LOA	IPL PDR	IPL CDR	JIP	Eng Unit Del	MSFC CoFR	Flight Unit Del	Launch	Transfer of Ownership	Ops	Return
Actual Dates	09/1999	02/2000	04/2002	07/2003	04/2006	TBD	05/2007	17A, STS-128 05/2009 w/LGF	N/A	TBD	TBD